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IN THE MATTER OF US WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 271 OF THE

TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

Docket No. T-00000A-97-0238

COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ITS OSS RECOMMENDATION

On April 15, 2002, the Hearing Division issued a Procedural Order which set April 23, 2002 as the deadline for Staff to issue its Recommendation on the OSS Test Final Report submitted by CGE&Y. Parties were to file comment on the CGE&Y Report and the Staff Recommendation on May 3, 2002.

Due to the sheer length and volume of the CGE&Y Final OSS Test Report and the other final reports issued by CGE&Y and HP which Staff's Recommendation is to address, and the complexity of the issues raised therein, the Staff respectfully requests an extension of time until April 30, 2002 to submit its Recommendation. Staff has spoken to several of the active parties in this Docket regarding the extension of time and none of those parties object as long as they continue to get 10 days to comment on Staff's Recommendation. Staff supports an extension of the parties' deadline for comment on the Staff Recommendation until May 10, 2002.<sup>2</sup>

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests an extension of time until April 30, 2002 to submit its Recommendation on the CGE&Y Final OSS Test Report and the other final reports

Staff spoke to attorneys for AT&T and WorldCom who both stated that Staff could represent that they did not object to the extension of time. Staff was unable to reach Qwest's attorney to confirm Qwest's position on Staff's request for an extension of time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The attorneys for both AT&T and WorldCom indicated that they would like until May 10, 2002 to comment on both the CGE&Y and HP Final Reports as well as the Staff Recommendation. Staff does not oppose this request.

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issued by CGE&Y and HP. Staff also requests that the deadline for parties to comment on Staff's Recommendation be extended to May 10, 2002.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2002.

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